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Comment on MS settlement

Microsoft has been harming consumers for years. From the early '80s they had tried to kill Apple's more advanced computer system, until the system architecture of the Intel world allowed an equivalent graphical interface. Now Microsoft COULD have supported Apple's system better, but CHOSE to make a less useful system available for years, all the while saying that the world needed DOS. This hurt consumers. It hurt Apple, and it hurt many small companies that were involved in the marketplace.

More recently, Microsoft has killed, one at a time, any small and successful product line. Disk Cache vendors were swallowed. TCP/IP vendors were destroyed. There are other examples of this predatory bundling in addition to Netscape's web browser.

And now you are proposing a settlement that will give Microsoft complete impunity from the guilt of their past actions.

Shame on you, DOJ. Are you for free enterprise or just afraid of those high paid lawyers that MS has?

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